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### SYSTEMATIC LIST

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1. HILL PARTRIDGE *Arborophila torqueola* 2 seen towards dusk at Chhomrong on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. They were feeding in the forest close to the path between Himalayan View Guest House and Excellent View Lodge at the top of Chhomrong. Singles were heard at Chhomrong on the 18<sup>th</sup>, Tadapani on the 19<sup>th</sup> and at Ghorapani on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. 1 was heard at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
2. RUFIOUS-THROATED PARTRIDGE *Arborophila rufogularis* 1 heard at Chhomrong on the 16<sup>th</sup>.
3. HIMALAYAN MONEL *Lophophorus impejanus* 2 males on the grassy/rocky slopes above the deserted village of Kuldi (near Bamboo) on the 17<sup>th</sup>; 1 was heard calling at nearby Sinuwa on the same date.
4. KOKLASS PHEASANT *Purcrasia macrolopha* 3 birds calling 2 of which were seen on the ridge between Ghorapani and Deorali Tea Rooms on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. A single was heard on the lower slopes of Poon Hill on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
5. KALIJ PHEASANT *Lophura leucomelanos* 2 in the forest behind Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup> and a female at Chhomrong on the 17<sup>th</sup>. At Phulchowki 3 birds, including 2 males, were seen on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
6. BAR-HEADED GOOSE *Anser indicus* 2 at the north end of Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>; 10 there on the 24<sup>th</sup>. On the trek, a flock of 11 circling high over Kuldi on the 17<sup>th</sup>, before moving away NW.
7. RUDDY SHELDUCK *Tadorna ferruginea* At Phewa Tal, Pokhara 10 at the north end on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 2 on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.
8. GADWALL *Anas strepera* 20 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara, on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
9. EURASIAN WIGEON *Anas penelope* Up to 30 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara, on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>.
10. MALLARD *Anas platyrhynchos* 4 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
11. NORTHERN PINTAIL *Anas acuta* Up to 15 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.
12. COMMON TEAL *Anas crecca* 7 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
13. COMMON POCHARD *Aythya ferina* Up to 25 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>.
14. FERRUGINOUS POCHARD *Aythya nyroca* 15 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
15. TUFTED DUCK *Aythya fuligula* Up to 50 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.
16. SPECKLED PICULET *Picumnus innominatus* A single close to the quarry at the base of Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

17. GREY-CAPPED PYGMY WOODPECKER *Dendrocopos canicapillus* A single in the forest at Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>; 2 there on the 26<sup>th</sup>; 5 between Birethante and Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>.
18. FULVOUS-BREASTED WOODPECKER *Dendrocopos macei* Singles in the forest at Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.
19. RUFIOUS-BELLIED WOODPECKER *Dendrocopos hyperythrus* A female on the ridge between Ghorapani and Deorali Tea Rooms on the 22<sup>nd</sup>; a pair at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
20. DARJEELING WOODPECKER *Dendrocopos darjellensis* Singles at Tadapani on the 19<sup>th</sup> and Ghorapani on the 20<sup>th</sup>; 3 between Ghorapani and Ulleri on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
21. LESSER YELLOWNAPE *Picus chlorolophus* 3 in forest behind Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>, A single there on the 26<sup>th</sup> and 2 near Shauli Bazaar on the 14<sup>th</sup>.
22. GREATER YELLOWNAPE *Picus flavinucha* 2 near Shauli Bazaar on the 14<sup>th</sup>.
23. GREY-HEADED WOODPECKER *Picus canus* 3 in the forest behind Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>; on the trek 2 between Birethante and Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup> and Singles on the 15<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.
24. GREATER FLAMEBACK *Chrysocolaptes lucidus* 1 near Birethante on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
25. GREAT BARBET *Megalaima virens* Heard/seen daily except around Ghorapani 20<sup>th</sup>–22<sup>nd</sup> inclusive. Daily maximum 10 but many more heard.
26. GOLDEN-THROATED BARBET *Megalaima franklinii* 1 seen between Sinuwa and Chhomrong on the 17<sup>th</sup>; 1 heard near Chhomrong on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Several heard at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
27. BLUE-THROATED BARBET *Megalaima asiatica* Heard/seen daily Pokhara 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> inclusive, daily max 6.
28. COPPERSMITH BARBET *Megalaima haemecephala* Heard/seen daily Pokhara 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> inclusive, daily max 4.
29. COMMON KINGFISHER *Alcedo atthis* Seen at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, daily max 2. A single near Birethante was the only trek record.
30. WHITE-THROATED KINGFISHER *Halcyon smyrnensis* Seen daily around Phewa Tal, Pokhara 11<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup> inclusive and 25<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> inclusive, daily max 8. 2 between Birethante and Shauli Bazaar on the 14<sup>th</sup> were the only birds seen on the trek.
31. CRESTED KINGFISHER *Megaceryle lugubris* Seen around Birethante 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, daily max 3. A single at Phewa Tal, Pokhara close to Fish Tail Lodge on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
32. HAWK CUCKOO Sp Birds heard calling around Pokhara/Shauli Bazaar on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> were either Common or Large Hawk Cuckoo.
33. EURASIAN CUCKOO *Cuculus canorus* 1 heard at Sarangkot on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
34. ORIENTAL CUCKOO *Cuculus saturatus* 2 heard at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
35. ASIAN KOEL *Eudynamis scolopacea* Heard at Pokhara 24<sup>th</sup> to the 26<sup>th</sup> inclusive, daily max 2.

36. GREEN-BILLED MALKOHA *Phaenicophaeus tristis* 2 in the forest below the Stupa at Pokhara on the 26<sup>th</sup> and 3 in a ravine 1/4mile before View Point Lodge on the northern edge of Pokhara on the same date.
37. ROSE-RINGED PARAKEET *Psittacula krameri* A single in the forest close to the dam at Phewa on the 26<sup>th</sup> was a surprise.
38. SLATY-HEADED PARAKEET *Psittacula himalayana* A flock of 30 in the forest at Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>. Up to 50 seen daily on the trek, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. A single was at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
39. HIMALAYAN SWIFTLET *Collocalia brevirostris* Up to 75 seen daily at Phewa Tal, Pokhara 11<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> inc.
40. HOUSE SWIFT *Apus affinis* Up to 40 seen daily around Pokhara 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> inclusive.
41. ALPINE SWIFT *Tachymarptis melba* 2 seen from the bus over the river on the approach to Mugling on the 27<sup>th</sup> and at least 3 more, again over the river, at the rear of Riverside Resort, Kurintor (near Mugling) on the same date.

OWL Sp We were unable to identify an owl heard calling at Bamboo in the early hours of the morning on the 17<sup>th</sup>. The call was a mellow "pupu" repeated at intervals of 12 to 15 seconds (timed independently by Geoff and Martin whilst it was calling). The bird was not seen and the call was unlike any other owl heard on the trip or any other on our Mini disc.

42. BROWN HAWK OWL *Ninox scutulata* A single heard in the garden of the Hotel Tulsi, Pokhara in the early hours of the 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.
43. MOUNTAIN SCOPS OWL *Otus spilocephalus* Singles heard at Chhomrong on the 16<sup>th</sup> and below Tadapani on the 19<sup>th</sup>.
44. COLLARED OWLET *Galucidium brodiei* Singles heard at Bamboo and Kuldi on the 17<sup>th</sup> and at Ghorapani on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. 1 was heard at Phulchowki throughout the morning on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
45. ASIAN BARRED OWLET *Glaucidium cuculoides* 1 at Komrong on the 15<sup>th</sup>; 3 around Pokhara on the 26<sup>th</sup>; Singles near Mugling on the 27<sup>th</sup> and at Godaveri on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
46. ROCK PIGEON *Columba livia* Seen daily except on the trek.
47. SNOW PIGEON *Columba leuconota* A flock of 5 near Diklyo Danda on the way to Chhomrong on the 15<sup>th</sup>; 30 around this area during the return journey on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 9 on the way to Chitre from Deorali Tea Rooms on the 20<sup>th</sup>.
48. SPECKLED WOOD PIGEON *Columba hodgsonii* A flock of 7 on the lower slopes of Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
49. ASHY WOOD PIGEON *Columba pulchricollis* A single at Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>; a flock of 5 at Chhomrong on the 16<sup>th</sup>, with further Single there on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.
50. ORIENTAL TURTLE DOVE *Streptopelia orientalis* Seen on most days except at Ghorapani on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, daily max 8.

51. SPOTTED DOVE *Streptopelia chinensis* Singles around Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>; 2 near Birethante on the 14<sup>th</sup>.
52. BLACK-NECKED CRANE *Grus nigricollis* A superb, elegant bird in the fields at the north end of Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>. Initially alone, the bird soon joined a feeding party of 7 Black Storks *Ciconia nigra* allowing good views. This vagrant to Nepal is a definite candidate for bird of the trip.
53. WHITE-BREASTED WATERHEN *Amaurornis phoenicurus* Up to 4 daily at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> inclusive.
54. COMMON MOORHEN *Gallinula chloropus* 2 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>, 1 there on the 26<sup>th</sup>.
55. COMMON COOT *Fulica atra* Up to 300 daily at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> inc.
56. WOODCOCK *Scolopax rusticola* Singles in the forest behind Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup> and in the ravine below Deorali Tea Rooms on the 20<sup>th</sup>.
57. COMMON SNIPE *Gallinago gallinago* 2 at the north end of Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
58. COMMON REDSHANK *Tringa totanus* 3 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
59. COMMON SANDPIPER *Actitis hypoleucos* 1 Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 25<sup>th</sup>, 2 there on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
60. BRONZE-WINGED JACANA *Metopidius indicus* 30 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
61. RED-WATTLED LAPWING *Vanellus indicus* 5 in the marshy fields at the north end of Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
62. BLACK KITE *Milvus migrans* Seen daily except on the trek. 15<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> incl, max 40
63. LAMMERGEIER *Gypaetus barbatus* Seen only on the trek, 1 at Birethante on the 13<sup>th</sup>, 2 Birethante to Gandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>; 1 near Chhomrong on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 1 Tadapani to Deorali Tea Rooms on the 19<sup>th</sup>.
64. EGYPTIAN VULTURE *Neophron percnopterus* Up to 3 daily around Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.
65. WHITE-RUMPED VULTURE *Gyps bengalensis* Up to 4 daily around Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. A single between Birethante and Gandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>.
66. HIMALAYAN GRIFFON *Gyps himalayensis* Up to 2 daily on the trek 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. An immature bird was at Sarangkot on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
67. EURASIAN GRIFFON *Gyps fulvus* Up to 2 daily on the trek, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>.
68. CINEREOUS VULTURE *Aegypius monachus* Singles at Kuldi on the 17<sup>th</sup>, near Chitre on the 20<sup>th</sup> and near Birethante on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
69. RED-HEADED VULTURE *Sarcogyps calvus* 2 around Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. On the trek, 4 between Birethante and Gandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 2 close to Birethante on the 24<sup>th</sup>.

70. CRESTED SERPENT EAGLE *Spilornis cheela* Singles, below Chhomrong on the 16<sup>th</sup>; near Birethane on the 24<sup>th</sup> and in the forest at the rear of Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
71. BLACK EAGLE *Ictinaetus malayensis* 2 between Chhomrong and Sinuwa on the 16<sup>th</sup>.
72. MARSH HARRIER *Circus aeruginosus* A female at the north end of Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
73. HEN HARRIER *Circus cyaneus* An adult male over the lower slopes of Poon Hill, Ghorapani on the 21<sup>st</sup>.
74. NORTHERN GOSHAWK *Accipiter gentilis* Singles below Chhomrong on the 16<sup>th</sup> and near Kuldi on the 17<sup>th</sup>.
75. SHIKRA *Accipiter badius* 1 or 2 seen on most days both around Pokhara and on the trek.
76. BESRA *Accipiter virgatus* A pair seen at close range at Sarangkot summit on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
77. COMMON BUZZARD *Buteo buteo* Singles, near Birethane on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> and below Ghorapani on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
78. GOLDEN EAGLE *Aquila chrysaetos* An immature bird at Kuldi on the 17<sup>th</sup>.
79. STEPPE EAGLE *Aquila nipalensis* A single near Mugling on the 11<sup>th</sup>; 2 at the north end of Phewa Tal, Pokhara, on the 13<sup>th</sup> and further singles at Birethane on the 24<sup>th</sup> and Sarangkot on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
80. BONELLI'S EAGLE *Hieraetus fasciatus* Singles, at Birethane on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> and over the forest behind Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
81. BOOTED EAGLE *Hieraetus pennatus* Singles, at Sarangkot on the 25<sup>th</sup> and in the ravine, ¼ mile before View Point Lodge on the northern edge of Pokhara on the 26<sup>th</sup>
82. MOUNTAIN HAWK EAGLE *Spizaetus nipalensis* A single below Chhomrong on the 16<sup>th</sup>; 2 near Sinuwa on the 17<sup>th</sup> and a pair below Ghorapani on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
83. COMMON KESTREL *Falco tinnunculus* 1 or 2 birds on 7 days of the trip, seen around Pokhara and on the trek.
84. PEREGRINE FALCON *Falco peregrinus* An immature bird seen from the Hotel Tulsi, Pokhara on the 24<sup>th</sup> and at Sarangkot on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
85. LITTLE GREBE *Tachybaptus ruficollis* Up to 100 seen daily at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup>, inclusive.
86. GREAT CRESTED GREBE *Podiceps cristatus* A single at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
87. BLACK-NECKED GREBE *Podiceps nigricollis* 1 on Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
88. GREAT CORMORANT *Phalacrocorax carbo* Up to 30 seen daily around Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> inclusive. A flock of c 50 flew high NE over Tadapani on the 19<sup>th</sup>.
89. LITTLE EGRET *Egretta garzetta* Up to 20 seen daily around Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> inclusive.

90. INTERMEDIATE EGRET *Mesophoyx intermedia* Up to 6 seen daily around Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> inclusive.
91. CATTLE EGRET *Bubulcus ibis* Seen daily around Pokhara. The roost on Phewa Tal, Pokhara held c 500 birds on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
92. GREY HERON *Ardea cinerea* 4 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
93. INDIAN POND HERON *Ardeola grayii*. Up to 15 seen daily around Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> inclusive.
94. BLACK STORK *Ciconia nigra* A flock of 7 feeding in the marshy fields at the north end of Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
95. ORANGE BELLIED LEAFBIRD *Chloropsis hardwickii* 1 at Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 2 there on the 25<sup>th</sup>. A single at Shauli Bazaar on the 14<sup>th</sup>.
96. BROWN SHRIKE *Lanius cristatus* A single at the north end of Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
97. LONG-TAILED SHRIKE *Lanius schach* A single at Mugling on the 11<sup>th</sup> was considered to be of the s/s *erythronotus*. All others were of the s/s *tricolor* seen around Pokhara and Birethante 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> inc and 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> inc, daily max 5. 3 were seen between Chhomrong and Tadapani on the 18<sup>th</sup>.
98. GREY-BACKED SHRIKE *Lanius tephronotus* Seen around Pokhara and near Birethante 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> inc 24<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, daily max 3.
99. RED-BILLED BLUE MAGPIE *Urocissa erythrorhyncha* Up to 12 in the forest behind Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 3 there on the 26<sup>th</sup>; 2 between Hille and Birethante on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
100. YELLOW-BILLED BLUE MAGPIE *Urocissa flavirostris* 3 near Komrong on the 15<sup>th</sup>; 1 beyond Chhomrong on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 2 near Ghorapani on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
101. COMMON GREEN MAGPIE *Cissa chinensis* Singles, at Birethante on the 13<sup>th</sup> and Hille on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>; 3 in the ravine ¼ mile before View Point Lodge on the northern edge of Pokhara on the 26<sup>th</sup>.
102. GREY TREEPIE *Dendrocitta formosae* Seen in forests around Pokhara and on the lower areas of the trek, 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> incl and 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> incl, daily max 10. Birds were also seen at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
103. SPOTTED NUTCRACKER *Nucifraga caryocatactes* A single near the summit of Poon Hill on the 21<sup>st</sup>.
104. HOUSE CROW *Corvus splendens* Common around Pokhara and in transit to Kathmandu. Absent on the trek.
105. LARGE-BILLED CROW *Corvus macrorhynchos* Seen every day, daily max 80.
106. MAROON ORIOLE *Oriolus traillii* Seen on 6 days of the trip, in the forests around Pokhara, on the trek and at Phulchowki, daily max 3.

107. LARGE CUCKOOSHRIKE *Coracina macei* Up to 3 daily in the forest behind Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. A single near Shauli Bazaar on the 26<sup>th</sup> was the only “trek” bird.
108. LONG-TAILED MINIVET *Pericrocotus ethologus* Up to 15 seen almost daily in the forests around Pokhara and on the trek.
109. SCARLET MINIVET *Pericrocotus flammeus* 4 in the forest behind Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 6 between Birethante and Shauli Bazaar on the 14<sup>th</sup> were the only records.
110. YELLOW-BELLIED FANTAIL *Rhipidura hypoxantha* Seen on 7 days around Pokhara, the lower areas of the trek and at Phulchowki, daily max 3.
111. WHITE-THROATED FANTAIL *Rhipidura albicollis* Singles, near Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup> and at Chhomrong on the 15<sup>th</sup>.
112. BLACK DRONGO *Dicrurus macrocercus* Up to 20 seen daily around Pokhara and in transit to Kathmandu.
113. ASHY DRONGO *Dicrurus leucophaeus* Between 1 and 3 seen daily around Pokhara and the lower trek areas 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> incl and 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> incl. 2 at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
114. SPANGLED DRONGO *Dicrurus hottentottus* Up to 12 daily around Pokhara and Birethante 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> incl and 24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> incl.
115. BROWN DIPPER *Cinclus pallasii* Seen on 7 days of the trek max 6 on the 13<sup>th</sup>, between Birethante and Shauli Bazaar.
116. ASIAN PARADISE FLYCATCHER *Terpsiphone paradisi* A pair in the gardens of the Riverside Resort Kurintor, near Mugling on the 27<sup>th</sup>.
117. BLUE-CAPPED ROCK THRUSH *Monticola cinclorhynchus* A male below the summit at Sarangkot on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
118. CHESTNUT-BELLIED ROCK THRUSH *Monticola rufiventris* Following a male and female near Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>, further males were seen between Ghandruk and Chhomrong on the 15<sup>th</sup> (2), A single at Tadapani on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> and 2 more at Ghorapani on the 21<sup>st</sup>.
119. BLUE ROCK THRUSH *Monticola solitarius* A female near Birethante on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
120. BLUE WHISTLING THRUSH *Myophonus caeruleus* Seen every day of the trek, max 25 on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
121. ORANGE-HEADED THRUSH *Zoothera citrina* A single at Fish-tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.
122. PLAIN-BACKED THRUSH *Zoothera mollissima* A single at Ghandruk on the 15<sup>th</sup>; 2 at Tadapani on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 2 or 3 daily around Ghorapani on the 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> incl.
123. LONG-TAILED THRUSH *Zoothera dixonii* A single at Ghorapani on the 21<sup>st</sup>.
124. SCALY THRUSH *Zoothera dauma* 2 in the forest behind Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

125. LONG-BILLED THRUSH *Zoothera monticola* A single at Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>.
126. DARK-SIDED THRUSH *Zoothera marginata* Pokhara
127. TICKELL'S THRUSH *Turdus unicolor* A male at Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>.
128. WHITE-COLLARED BLACKBIRD *Turdus albocinctus* Up to 10 seen daily on 7 days of the trek +++
129. GREY-WINGED BLACKBIRD *Turdus bouboul* A male and female at Ghandruk on the 15<sup>th</sup>. +++
130. EURASIAN BLACKBIRD *Turdus merula* At least 1 by Laligurans Lodge below Deorali Tea Rooms on the 20<sup>th</sup>.
131. DARK-THROATED THRUSH *Turdus ruficollis atrogularis* Seen on most days of the trip, around Pokhara +++ on the trek daily max 100 on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, and at Phulchowki
132. MISTLE THRUSH *Turdus viscivorus* A single at Tadapani on the 19<sup>th</sup>; 2 near Deorali Tea Rooms on the 20<sup>th</sup> and 1 at Ghorapani on the 20<sup>th</sup>.
133. DARK-SIDED FLYCATCHER *Muscicapa sibirica* Phulchowki
134. SLATY-BACKED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula hodgsonii* Pokhara
135. RUFIOUS-GORGETED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula strophiiata* Seen almost daily at Pokhara and on the trek +++
136. RED-THROATED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula parva* Pokhara and Phulchowki
137. SNOWY-BROWED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula hyperythra* A male at Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on +++ and a male in the forest between Sinuwa and Kuldi on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>.
138. SLATY-BLUE FLYCATCHER *Ficedula tricolor* 6 between Birethante and Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup> and single females at Khumnu (between Ghandruk and Chhomrong) on the 15<sup>th</sup> and below Hille on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
139. VERDITER FLYCATCHER *Eumyias thalassina* Seen almost daily throughout the trip +++ only 2 singles were seen on the higher areas of the trek, 19<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup> incl.
140. GREY-HEADED CANARY FLYCATCHER *Culicicapa ceylonensis* Up to 5 seen daily around Pokhara, the lower trek areas and +++
141. SMALL NILTAVA *Niltava macgrigoriae* +++ and at Hille on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. 6 birds between Birethante and Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>.
142. RUFIOUS-BELLIED NILTAVA *Niltava sundara* Seen +++ and the lower trek areas
143. PALE BLUE FLYCATCHER *Cyornis unicolor* Pokhara
144. WHITE-BROWED SHORTWING *Brachyteryx montana* Pokhara
145. SIBERIAN RUBYTHROAT *Luscinia calliope* +++ On the trek, a male at Hille on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and a male at Ramghi (between Hille and Birethante) on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
146. ORANGE-FLANKED BUSH ROBIN *Tarsiger cyanurus* Seen daily on the trek +++
147. GOLDEN BUSH ROBIN *Tarsiger chrysaeus* Brief views of single males at Khumnu and below Chhomrong both on the 15<sup>th</sup>.



148. WHITE-BROWED BUSH ROBIN *Tarsiger indicus* A stunning male in the ravine below Deorali Tea Rooms on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 2 females on the ridge between Deorali Tea Rooms and Ghorapani on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.
149. RUFIOUS-BREASTED BUSH ROBIN *Tarsiger hyperythrus* A male in the ravine below Deorali Tea Rooms on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.
150. ORIENTAL MAGPIE ROBIN *Copsychus saularis* Up to 15 around Pokhara, Birethante +++
151. BLUE-CAPPED REDSTART *Phoenicurus coeruleocephalus* Single males at Chhomrong on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> and below Ghorapani on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
152. BLACK REDSTART *Phoenicurus ochruros* Kurintor +++
153. HODGSON'S REDSTART *Phoenicurus hodgsoni* Phulchowki +++
154. BLUE-FRONTED REDSTART *Phoenicurus frontalis* Up to 10 seen daily on the trek +++ Sarangkot on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
155. WHITE-CAPPED WATER REDSTART *Chaimarrornis leucocephalus* Up to 8 seen daily on the trek 13<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> incl and 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.
156. PLUMBEOUS WATER REDSTART *Rhyacornis fuliginosus* Similar to previous species with max 25 on the 24<sup>th</sup>. A pair was at Fish tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.
157. WHITE-TAILED ROBIN *Myiomela luecura* A male at Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. (presumably the same bird seen on the Dec '01/March and Dec '02 trips)
158. LITTLE FORKTAIL *Enicurus scouleri* Up to 7 seen daily on the trek +++
159. BLACK-BACKED FORKTAIL *Enicurus immaculatus* Pokhara +++
160. SLATY-BACKED FORKTAIL *Enicurus schistaceus* 1 or 2 at +++ Pokhara +++ near Birethante on the 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.
161. SPOTTED FORKTAIL *Enicurus maculates* 2 between Birethante and Shauli Bazaar on the 14<sup>th</sup>; 3 near Chitre on the 20<sup>th</sup> and 2 below Ghorapani on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
162. COMMON STONECHAT *Saxicola torquata* Seen daily around Pokhara 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, max 20 +++ on the 13<sup>th</sup> and on the lower slopes of the trek, max 4 on the 18<sup>th</sup>.
163. PIED BUSHCHAT *Saxicola caprata* +++ Pokhara +++ on the 26<sup>th</sup>.
164. GREY BUSHCHAT *Saxicola ferrea* Up to 15 seen daily on the trek, 14<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> incl +++ and the 24<sup>th</sup>.
165. CHESTNUT-TAILED STARLING *Sturnus malabaricus* +++ Pokhara +++
166. COMMON MYNA *Acridotheres tristis* Up to 50 daily around Pokhara and the lower areas of the trek, +++.
167. JUNGLE MYNA *Acridotheres fuscus* Seen daily around Pokhara, max 80+.+++
168. CHESTNUT-BELLIED NUTHATCH *Sitta castanea* ++ Pokhara

169. WHITE-TAILED NUTHATCH *Sitta himalayensis* Up to 8 daily on the trek 15<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> incl +++
170. VELVET-FRONTED NUTHATCH *Sitta frontalis* 1 or 2 in the forest below the Stupa at Pokhara, on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.
171. WALLCREEPER *Tichodroma muraria* Following 1 near Shauli Bazaar on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 3 between Hille and Birethane on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
172. EURASIAN TREECREEPER *Certhia familiaris* 1 on the ridge between Deorali Tea Rooms and Ghorapani on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.
173. BAR-TAILED TREECREEPER *Certhia himalayana* 1 on the climb from Chitre to Ghorapani on the 20<sup>th</sup>.
174. RUSTY-FLANKED TREECREEPER *Certhia nipalensis* Seen on the trek, mainly around Ghorapani, 19<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup>, incl, max 5 on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
175. BROWN-THROATED TREECREEPER *Certhia discolor* 1 at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
176. RUFOUS-VENTED TIT *Parus rubidiventris* Up to 10 daily on the trek, 19<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> incl, mainly around Ghorapani.

COAL TIT / SPOT-WINGED TIT *Parus ater/ Parus melanolophus*

Around 30 birds seen in the forest below Deorali Tea Rooms on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Most of these showed characteristics of “Coal-type” hybrids as we had expected, however a few birds appeared to be more pure Coal tit in appearance but views were inconclusive.

On the 22<sup>nd</sup>, we encountered 10 more birds on the ridge between Ghorapani and Deorali Tea Rooms in conifers very near the Deorali Tea Rooms end of the ridge. These were not typical Coal Tit type hybrids but appeared to be pure Coal Tit *P. a. aemodius*. However, individuals seen well showed a hint of cinnamon on the upper breast sides and although this feature was not observed on the other birds we decided not to claim this as an official record on our systematic list.

177. GREY-CRESTED TIT *Parus dichrous* Up to 10 daily on the trek, 20<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup>, incl, mainly around Ghorapani.
178. GREAT TIT *Parus major* Up to 5 daily around Pokhara and Birethane 12<sup>th</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup>, incl, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.
179. GREEN-BACKED TIT *Parus monticolus* Up to 10 seen daily on the trek, 14<sup>th</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> incl +++
180. BLACK-LORED TIT *Parus xanthogenys* Up to 10 daily seen around Pokhara and the lower trek areas 12<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup>, incl. +++
181. YELLOW-BROWED TIT *Sylviparus modestus* Up to 12 daily on the trek, 14<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> incl, and on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
182. BLACK-THROATED TIT *Aegithalos concinnus* Up to 10 daily on the trek, 14<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup>, incl, 18<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. 6 at Phulchowki on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

183. WINTER WREN *Troglodytes troglodytes* Up to 4 seen daily on the trek, 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup>, incl, mainly around Ghorapani.
184. PLAIN MARTIN *Riparia paludicola* Daily at Phewa Tal, Pokhara 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup>, incl max100+. +++
185. BARN SWALLOW *Hirundo rustica* Daily at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, max 100+.
186. RED-RUMPED SWALLOW *Hirundo daurica* Daily at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, max 30.
187. NEPAL HOUSE MARTIN *Delichon nipalensis* Around 200 on the walk down to Birethante from Naya Pul on the 13<sup>th</sup> +++
188. STRIATED BULBUL *Pycnonotus striatus* 5 birds seen together on the climb up to Sinuwa on the 16<sup>th</sup>.
189. HIMALAYAN BULBUL *Pycnonotus leucogenys* Up to 20 seen on most days. Not seen on the higher areas of the trek 19<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup>, incl.
190. RED-VENTED BULBUL *Pycnonotus cafer* Daily around Pokhara on the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, max 30. Seen on the trek only between Birethante and Shauli Bazaar on the 6<sup>th</sup>.
191. ASHY BULBUL *Hemixos flava* Pokhara +++
192. MOUNTAIN BULBUL *Hypsipetes McClellandii* 2 near Ghadruk on the 16<sup>th</sup>. +++
193. BLACK BULBUL *Hypsipetes leucocephalus* 7 below Chhomrong on the 18<sup>th</sup>; 10 near Tadapani on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 8 at Ghorapani on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
194. STRIATED PRINIA *Prinia criniger* Up to 2 seen or heard on 5 days of the trek, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. 2 at Sar +++ on the 26<sup>th</sup>.
195. GREY-BREASTED PRINIA *Prinia hodgsonii* +++ Kurintor +++
196. ZITTING CISTICOLA *Cisticola juncidis* 2 in the marshy fields at the north end of the Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>.
197. ORIENTAL WHITE-EYE *Zosterops palpebrosus* Up to 6 seen on most days of the trip, around Pokhara, on the trek and at Phulchowki.
198. CHESTNUT-HEADED TESIA *Tesia castaneocoronata* 1 at Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.
199. GREY-BELLIED TESIA *Tesia cyaniventer* Singles at Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>; in the forest Nangathanti on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and heard at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
200. COMMON TAILORBIRD *Orthotomus sutorius* Up to 6 daily around Pokhara and the lower trek areas 12<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup>, incl and 24<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> incl.
201. ABERRANT BUSH WARBLER *Cettia flavolivacea* Singles at Ghadruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>; on the climb up to Chhomrong on the 15<sup>th</sup>; Hille on the 24<sup>th</sup> and at Sarangkot on the 25<sup>th</sup>.

202. GREY-SIDED BUSH WARBLER *Cettia brunnifrons* 2 at Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>; 1 below Chhomrong on the 18<sup>th</sup>; 1 on the ridge between Ghorapani and Deorali Tea Rooms on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 1 near Hille on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.
203. LESSER WHITETHROAT *Sylvia curruca* +++ Pokhara  
Note: Many *Phylloscopus/Seicercus* warblers were not identified as they moved quickly through the canopy in substantial numbers. The systematic list includes only the birds seen well enough to identify.
204. COMMON CHIFFCHAFF *Phylloscopus collybita tristis* Around Pokhara, 2 on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 4 on the 13<sup>th</sup>; Singles on the trek on the 14<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.
205. DUSKY WARBLER *Phylloscopus fuscatus* Pokhara +++
206. SMOKY WARBLER *Phylloscopus fuligiventer* Pokhara+++
207. BLYTH'S LEAF WARBLER *Phylloscopus reguloides* 3 between Chhomrong and Tadapani on the 18<sup>th</sup>; 1 at Hille on the 23<sup>rd</sup>; 3 +++ Pokhara +++ on the 26<sup>th</sup>.
208. BUFF-BARRED WARBLER *Phylloscopus pulcher* Up to 5 daily on the trek, 14<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup>, incl. +++
209. ASHY-THROATED WARBLER *Phylloscopus maculipennis* Up to 5 daily on the trek on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup>, incl.
210. LEMON-RUMPED WARBLER *Phylloscopus chloronotus* Seen almost daily in the forest around Pokhara, on the trek and at Phulchowki, max 30 on the 15<sup>th</sup> between Ghandruk and Chhomrong.
211. HUME'S WARBLER *Phylloscopus humei* 2 in the Boomerang Restaurant gardens, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>; 2 at Hille on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and another there on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
212. GREENISH WARBLER *Phylloscopus trochiloides* Pokhara +++
213. LARGE-BILLED LEAF WARBLER *Phylloscopus magnirostris* 1 seen at close range in the gardens of Fish Tail Lodge, Pokhara on the 26<sup>th</sup>.
214. WHISTLERS WARBLER *Seicercus whistleri* Up to 4 on most days around Pokhara, the lower slopes of the trek and at Phulchowki. 10 seen between Birethane and Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>.
215. GREY-HOODED WARBLER *Seicercus xanthoschistos* Up to 15 on most days around Pokhara, the lower slopes of the trek and at Phulchowki.
216. CHESTNUT-CROWNED WARBLER *Seicercus castaniceps* 2 near Shauli Bazaar on the 14<sup>th</sup>; 1 below Ghorapani on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 2 at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
217. BLACK-FACED WARBLER *Abroscopus schisticeps* A total of 9 between Bamboo and Kuldi on the 17<sup>th</sup>; 3 between Deorali Tea Rooms and Chitre on the 20<sup>th</sup> and 1 at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
218. GOLDCREST *Regulus regulus* At least 1 in conifers on the ridge close to the Deorali Tea Rooms on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

219. WHITE-THROATED LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax albogularis* A flock of 20 below Chhomrong on the 18<sup>th</sup>; 30 between Tadapani and Banthanti hill on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 10 at Ghorapani on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. +++ Phulchowki
220. WHITE-CRESTED LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax leucolophus* Up to 12 seen daily at Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>; near Shauli Bazaar on the 14<sup>th</sup> and at Hille on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
221. STRIATED LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax striatus* 2 at Kuldi near Bamboo on the 17<sup>th</sup>; singles below Chhomrong on the 18<sup>th</sup>; below Ghorapani on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 2 at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
222. SPOTTED LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax ocellatus* Singles below Sinuwa on the 17<sup>th</sup> and in the forest below Deorali Tea Rooms on the 20<sup>th</sup>.
223. STREAKED LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax lineatus* Up to 20 daily on the trek, 14<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> incl, 20<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.
224. SCALY LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax subunicolor* 2 below Sinuwa on the 17<sup>th</sup> and a single between Banthanti and Ulleri on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
225. BLACK-FACED LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax affinis* Up to 3 daily on the trek 15<sup>th</sup> to the 17<sup>th</sup> incl, 20<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.
226. CHESTNUT-CROWNED LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax erythrocephalus* Up to 15 daily on the trek 14<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> incl and 24<sup>th</sup>. +++ Phulchowki
227. PUFF-THROATED BABBLER *Pellorneum ruficeps* +++ Pokhara
228. RUSTY-CHEEKED SCIMITAR BABBLER *Pomatorhinus erythrogenys* 2 at Chhomrong on the 16<sup>th</sup>; heard at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
229. STREAK-BREASTED SCIMITAR BABBLER *Pomatorhinus ruficollis* Up to 6 daily on the trek, 14<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> incl.
230. SLENDER-BILLED SCIMITAR BABBLER *Xiphirhynchus superciliaris* 2 on the climb up to Sinuwa on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 2 heard and seen from the path between Himalayan View Lodge and Excellent View Lodge at the top of Chhomrong. A candidate for bird of the trip.
231. SCALY-BREASTED WREN BABBLER *Pnoepyga albiventer* Singles heard or seen on 6 days of the trek, 15<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.
232. BLACK-CHINNED BABBLER *Stachyris pyrrhops* Up to 10 seen on most days of the trek 14<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> incl, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> incl. Birds were also seen at Sarangkot, on the 25<sup>th</sup> and at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
233. GOLDEN BABBLER *Stachyris chrysaea* 3 near Sinuwa on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 6 in the same area on the return journey on the 17<sup>th</sup>.
234. GREY-THROATED BABBLER *Stachyris nigriceps* Singles at Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>; Hille on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and at Phulchowki on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

235. SPINY BABBLER *Turdoides nipalensis* An obliging male sang for about 20 minutes below Sarangkot summit on the 25<sup>th</sup>; the following day, a quieter pair were observed as they skulked around in a wooded ravine, on the north edge of Pokhara
236. RED-BILLED LEIOTHRIX *Leiothrix lutea* 2 in the forest below Banthanti Hill (between Tadapani and Deorali Tea Rooms ) on the 19<sup>th</sup>.
237. GREEN SHRIKE BABBLER *Pteruthius xanthoclorus* A total of 15 between Bamboo and Sinuwa on the 17<sup>th</sup>; 1 in the forest below Banthanti Hill on the 19<sup>th</sup>; 3 between Deorali Tea Rooms and Chitre on the 20<sup>th</sup> and 1 at Poon Hill on the 21<sup>st</sup>.
238. BLACK-EARED SHRIKE BABBLER *Pteruthius melanotis* A stunning male near Dhiklyo Danda on the way to Chhomrong on the 15<sup>th</sup> and a female at Hille on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
239. HOARY-THROATED BARWING *Actinodura nipalensis* Singles, in the forest below Deorali Tea Rooms on the 20<sup>th</sup> and below Ghorapani on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
240. CHESTNUT-TAILED MINLA *Minla strigula* Up to 30 daily on the trek, 15<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> incl and on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
241. RED-TAILED MINLA *Minla ignotincta* +++ Pokhara
242. RUFOUS-WINGED FULVETTA *Alcippe castaneiceps* Up to 10 daily on the trek, 15<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> incl
243. WHITE-BROWED FULVETTA *Alcippe vinipectus* Up to 20 daily on the trek, 15<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> incl
244. NEPAL FULVETTA *Alcippe nipalensis* +++ Phulchowki
245. WHISKERED YUHINA *Yuhina flavicollis* Up to 25 daily on the trek, 15<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> incl. +++ Phulchowki
246. STRIPE-THROATED YUHINA *Yuhina gularis* Up to 20 daily on the trek, 17<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> incl.
247. RUFOUS-VENTED YUHINA *Yuhina occipitalis* Up to 10 daily on the trek, 17<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>; 20 were seen between Ghorapani and Deorali Tea Rooms on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.
248. WHITE-BELLIED YUHINA *Yuhina zantholeuca* +++ Pokhara
249. RUFOUS SIBIA *Heterophasia capistrata* Up to 30 on the trek, 15<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> incl. +++ Phulchowki
250. GREAT PARROTBILL *Conostoma oemodium* A single on the climb up to Sinuwa on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 2 together, with Brown Parrotbills, on the ridge between Ghorapani and Deorali Tea Rooms on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.
251. BROWN PARROTBILL *Paradoxornis unicolor* A party of 12, together 2 Great Parrotbills, performed acrobatically in front of us for several minutes on the ridge between Ghorapani and Deorali Tea Rooms on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Amazing!
252. FIRE-BREASTED FLOWERPECKER *Dicaeum ignipectus* A female near Shauli Bazaar on the 14<sup>th</sup>; a male near Dhiklo Danda (Chhomrong to Tadapani) on the 18<sup>th</sup>; +++ Pokhara

253. MRS GOLD'S SUNBIRD *Aethopyga gouldiae* 2 males near Chitre on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Incredibly, they were less than 10 metres from where the male was seen on the March 2002 trip.
254. GREEN-TAILED SUNBIRD *Aethopyga nipalensis* Up to 8 seen daily on most days of the trek, 15<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> incl.
255. BLACK-THROATED SUNBIRD *Aethopyga saturata* Up to 3 seen daily on the trek, 14<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> incl and on the 24<sup>th</sup>. +++
256. CRIMSON SUNBIRD *Aethopyga siparaja* Up to 2 seen daily around Pokhara, including Fish Tail Lodge, Hotel Tulsi gardens and on the trek on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> incl.
257. FIRE-TAILED SUNBIRD *Aethopyga ignicauda* Up to 6 seen daily on most days of the trek, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> incl. +++
258. HOUSE SPARROW *Passer domesticus* +++ daily around Pokhara. Not seen on the trek.
259. RUSSET SPARROW *Passer rutilans* Up to 10 almost daily on the trek, 14<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> incl and 18<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> incl.
260. EURASIAN TREE SPARROW *Passer montanus* Up to 6 daily around Pokhara, Kathmandu and the lower trek areas, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> to the 28<sup>th</sup> incl.
261. WHITE WAGTAIL *Motacilla alba* At least 100 daily around Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> incl. The rear of Boomerang Restaurant was a favourite spot.
262. WHITE-BROWED WAGTAIL *Motacilla madaraspatensis* 3 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the +++
263. YELLOW WAGTAIL *Motacilla flava* Up to 4 daily +++ at the rear of Boomerang Restaurant Phewa Tal, Pokhara, on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
264. GREY WAGTAIL *Motacilla cinerea madaraspatensis* Up to 7 almost daily around Pokhara, on the trek and at Phulchowki +++
265. PADDYFIELD PIPIT *Anthus rufulus* +++ Phewa Tal, Pokhara, mainly lakeside at the rear of Boomerang Restaurant, max 4 on the 5<sup>th</sup>.
266. UPLAND PIPIT *Anthus sylvanus* 3 in cultivated fields on the climb to Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>; 1 below Chhomrong on the 18<sup>th</sup> +++
267. OLIVE-BACKED PIPIT *Anthus hodgsoni* Seen or heard almost daily throughout the trip, max 25 on the 23<sup>rd</sup> going to roost near Hille.
268. ROSY PIPIT *Anthus roseatus* Seen only around Phewa Tal, Pokhara, on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> incl.
269. ALPINE ACCENTOR *Prunella collaris* A single by the river at Banthanti ( between Tadapani and Deorali Tea Rooms) on the 19<sup>th</sup>, showed well but did look rather sickly.
270. ALTAI ACCENTOR *Prunella himalayana* 30 close to Mountain Discovery Lodge below Tadapani on the 18<sup>th</sup>, with 20 there on the 19<sup>th</sup> and a total of 15 on the lower slopes of Poon Hill close to Ghorapani on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

271. RUFIOUS-BREASTED ACCENTOR *Prunella strophhiata* 2 singles below Chhomrong on the 18<sup>th</sup>.
272. PLAIN MOUNTAIN FINCH *Leucosticte nemoricola* A flock of 80 near Ghandruk on the 15<sup>th</sup>; 1 near Chitre on the 20<sup>th</sup> and several birds around Ghorapani on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.
273. WHITE-RUMPED MUNIA *Lonchura striata* A total of 28 above Shauli Bazaar at the start of the climb to Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>; 1 in the Hotel Tulsi gardens on the 24<sup>th</sup> +++
274. DARK-BREASTED ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus nipalensis* A single near Ghandruk on the 15<sup>th</sup>; 10 in the forest at Tadapani on the 19<sup>th</sup> and up to 40 daily in the Ghorapani area, particularly around the lower slopes of Poon Hill, 20<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
275. COMMON ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus erythrinus* A male around 400 metres down the path towards Chitre from the top of Ghorapani on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
276. BEAUTIFUL ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus pulcherrimus* A male at Sinuwa on the 16<sup>th</sup>; single females at Chhomrong on the 18<sup>th</sup> and Deorali Tea Rooms on the 20<sup>th</sup>; a pair at Poon Hill on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 2 males near Ghorapani on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.
277. PINK-BROWED ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus rodochrous* A male at Sinuwa on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 3 birds at Tadapani on the 19<sup>th</sup>.
278. SPOT-WINGED ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus rodopeplus* A female at Chhomrong and a pair at Sinuwa on the 16<sup>th</sup>; 2 pairs between Kuldi and Sinuwa and a pair at Chhomrong on the 17<sup>th</sup>; 5 at Tadapani on the 19<sup>th</sup> and up to 5 daily around Ghorapani 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.
279. WHITE-BROWED ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus thura* A female at Chhomrong on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 4 birds including a male, at Poon Hill, Ghorapani on the 21<sup>st</sup>.
280. BROWN BULLFINCH *Pyrrhula nipalensis* A flock of 7 by the path below Ghorapani on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
281. RED-HEADED BULLFINCH *Pyrrhula erythrocephala* Up to 10 daily on the trek, 15<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> incl. The lower slopes of Poon Hill were a favoured spot.
282. CRESTED BUNTING *Melophus lathami* A female in cultivated fields on the climb up to Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>; a male near Chiule on the way to Tadapani on the 19<sup>th</sup> and a female near Hille on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
283. LITTLE BUNTING *Emberiza pusilla* 1 skulking in cultivated fields on the climb up to Ghandruk on the 14<sup>th</sup>. This bird was discovered as we tried to relocate the Upland Pipit and it would have been missed altogether, had we not strayed from the path in search of the pipit.
284. YELLOW-BREASTED BUNTING *Emberiza aureola* A total of 30 in the fields at the north end of Phewa Tal, Pokhara on the 13<sup>th</sup>.